The Extended EBIS Intensity Upgrade at Brookhaven National Laboratory*

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The EBIS serves two major users quasi-simultaneously

EBIS & RFQ & Heavy Ion Linac



Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider

Au, Fe, He, U, etc.

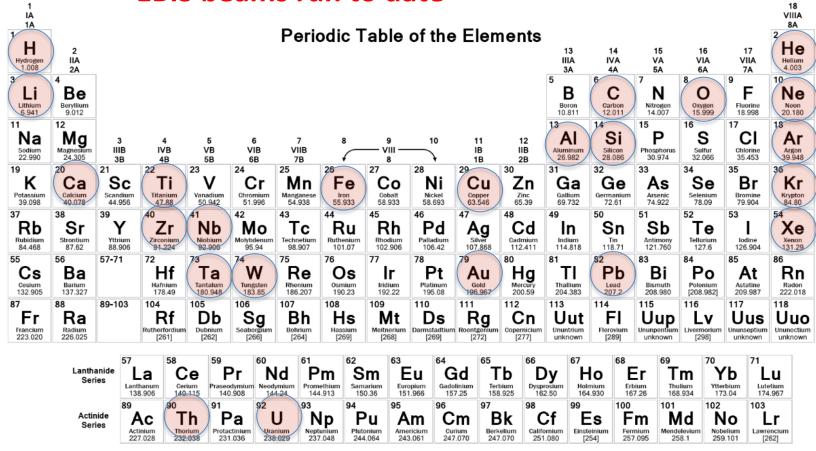
In addition the EBIS must be able to diagnose operating performance and prepare for new beams, parasitically.

These considerations lead to a choice of electrostatic beam transport and switching in LEBT and a pulsed HV EBIS platform



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EBIS beams run to date



D, ${}^{3}\text{He}^{2+}$, ${}^{4}\text{He}^{1+,2+}$, Li^{3+} , $C^{5+,6+}$, O^{7+} , Ne^{5+} , Al^{5+} , $Si^{11+,12+}$, Ar^{11+} , Ca^{14+} , Ti^{18+} , $Fe^{20+,24+}$, Cu^{11+} , Kr^{18+} , ${}^{90}Zr^{15+}$, ${}^{96}Zr^{16+}$, Nb^{16+} , Xe^{27+} , Ta^{38+} , ${}^{184}W^{31+}$, Au^{32+} , Pb^{34+} , ${}^{232}Th^{39+}$, U^{39+}

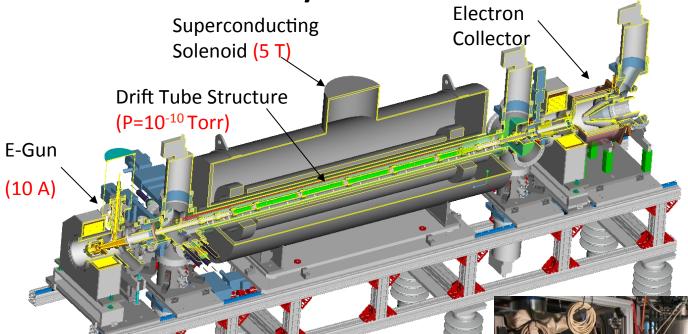
1 second switching between species (2, or more), alternating<30 second switching among almost any 10, if loaded into external sources

Recent Beam Development

 90 Zr $^{15+}$ (51.45% abundance) was used as a pilot beam for 96 Zr $^{16+}$ (2.8%) produced initially as 1+ by LION from Natural $_{40}$ Zr metal and then injected into RhicEBIS for Ionization to high charge state. $_{41}$ Nb metal (100% 93 Nb) was used to check the EBIS intensity of 93 Nb $^{16+}$ after acceleration by the RFQ and 2MeV/n LINAC under almost identical ionization conditions. The 93 Nb $^{16+}$ intensity was approximately the 90 Zr $^{16+}$ intensity as expected.

¹⁸⁴W³¹⁺(z=74) was used as a pilot beam for ²³²Th³⁹⁺(z=90) from EBIS through the AGS Booster ring. This allowed us to use a commercially available, low contamination material with the Laser Ion Source (LION), rather than dedicating one of our HCIS beam lines to the contaminated ²³⁸U³⁹⁺(z=92) 2% Thoriated Tungsten 0.22" thick recut slices of 0.25" welding rod (obtained from Diamond Ground Products) were used to inject 1+ beams into the RhicEBIS.

EBIS Source Assembly



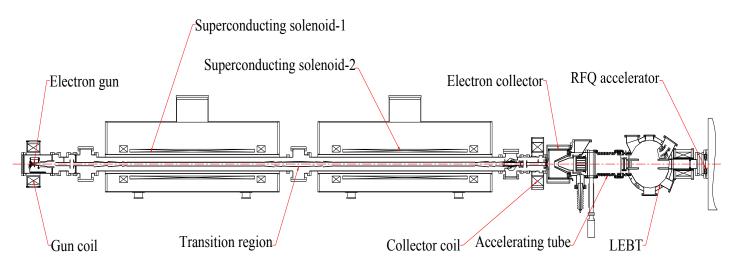
Parameter		RHIC EBIS
Max. electron current	I _{el} =	10 A
Electron energy	E _{el} =	20 keV
Electron density in trap	j _{el} =	575 A/cm ²
Length of ion trap	L _{trap} =	1.5 m
Ion trap capacity	Q _{el} =	1.1x10 ¹²
Ion yield (charges)	Q _{ion} =	5.5x10 ¹¹ (10 A)
Yield of ions Au ³²⁺	N _{Au} ³²⁺ =	3.4x10 ⁹

 $N = \kappa * I_e * L_{trap} * E_e^{-0.5}$

Extended EBIS Charge Capacity

Two Straightforward methods to increase EBIS charge:

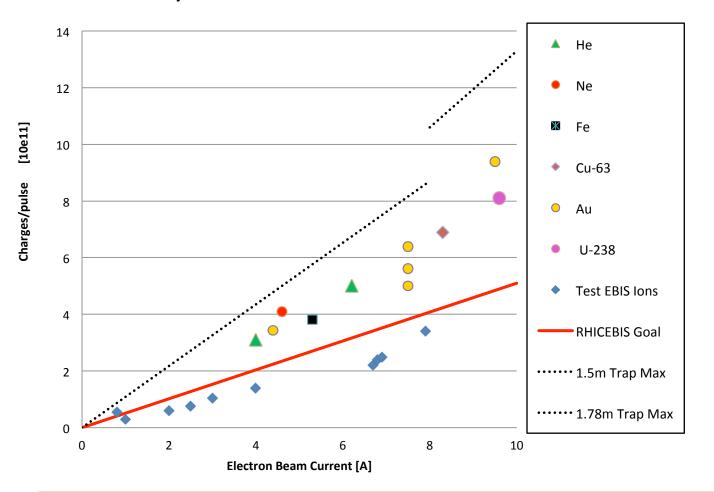
- 1) Increase the Electron Current (Operation ~ 10A, vacuum, cathode lifetime, etc.)
- 2) Increase the ion trap length.
 - a) TestEBIS prototype to RhicEBIS (Same e-beam power, 2x Solenoid length)
 - b) RhicEBIS extended trap extended from 1.5m to 1.78m by adding adjacent DTs



"Tandem EBIS" concept (A. Pikin, HIAT 2012):

- 1) Two RhicEBIS Solenoids on the same axis gives twice the charge capacity (or more) compared to the present RhicEBIS. [i.e., Extended trap length].
- 2) Possibility to also use lower field "dip" region for ion capacity storage with some caveats, such as reduced average current density.

Ion yields from EBIS



Dotted line is 100% neutralization of the electron beam space charge. Red line is 50% neutralization (design value)

(Jump in capacity at 8-10 A represents a lengthening of the trap)

EBIS source charge out exceeds the design value, but the % in desired charge state is lower than design. The result is that the *number of ions in the desired charge state is* ~ *the design value*.

Ion Intensities

The expected intensity is 2.6×10^9 Au³²⁺ ions/pulse at the Extended EBIS exit and approximately 2.1×10^9 Au³²⁺ / pulse at the Booster ring entrance (This is a 40-50% upgrade from the present operation)

Gold: Au³²⁺ ions/pulse \sim (2 modules)(5x10¹¹ ions/pulse/module)(1/32 ion charge)(0.12 spectral fraction) \sim 3.75x10⁹

A further reduction factor of 0.66 -0.75 should be applied because of utilization uncertainties associated with the upstream (Gun end) EBIS module. Therefore, an estimate of 2.6x10⁹ Au³²⁺ ions/EBIS pulse at the EBIS exit is reasonable.

Light Ions: H+ $^{1}x10^{12}$ ions/EBIS pulse and for He²⁺ $^{5}x10^{11}$ ions/EBIS pulse. Such an upgrade would be expected to enhance considerably the intensity of all light ions that could be injected as gases (e.g., C, N, O, etc.) compared with our current external injection schemes.

Extended EBIS Considerations

Increase Au32+ intensity for RHIC RUN Starting after Jan. 2019

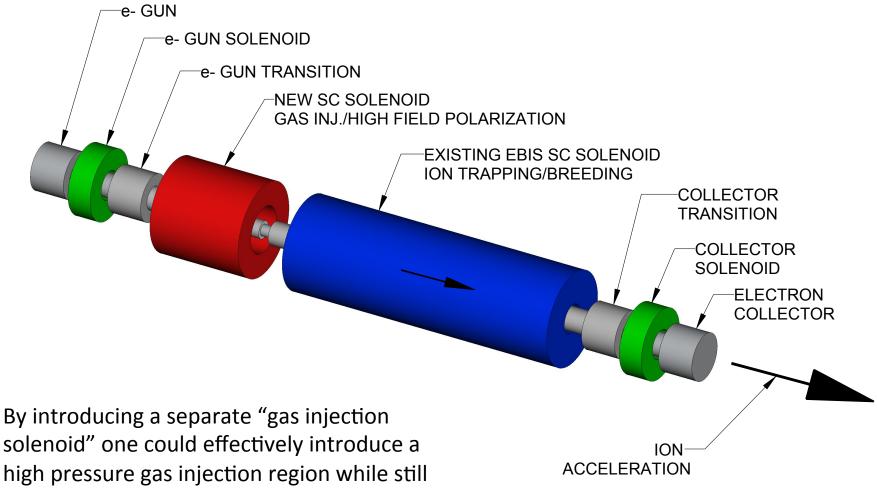
Provide Efficient Gas Injection System that can be used later for High Field Polarized ³He²⁺ production.

The system should be fairly modular, and easy to work on or reconfigure. We would like to start tests with 3He as early as possible and don't expect a long additional development period after the Extended EBIS is installed.

Try to retain the ability to revert to the present RhicEBIS geometry, in case of a serious failure in the upstream gas injection module.

As part of the Au32+ upgrade, develop H+, D, ⁴He^{1+,2+} and other light gas ions for NSRL operations.

3He²⁺ Polarized Ion Production in EBIS – (proposed)

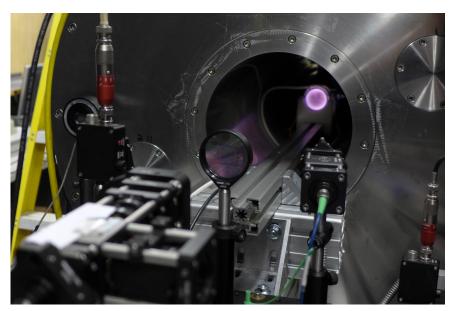


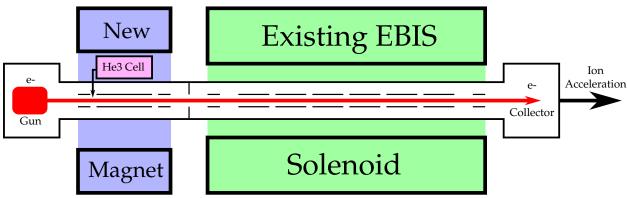
solenoid" one could effectively introduce a high pressure gas injection region while still maintaining a very low pressure existing trap region in which ionization to high charge state 3He2+ would occur with high efficiency.

High field Polarization Concept and Testing

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Conceptual diagram of EBIS with new magnet module, allowing high field polarization of 3He

RhicEBIS Modification for high field polarization of 3He polarized gas in an external solenoid followed by electronic injection into the main RhicEBIS trap

New Components:

Additional (reinforced) superconducting solenoid: Nominal 5T, 205mm Warm Bore, 1500 mm long uniform B-field

Injection/trapping DT structure reduced diameters (improved voltage and differential pumping) possible integration with vacuum system containment

Accessible polarization cell and pulsed valve

EXISTING Spare Solenoid also needs to be reinforced (has been done)

Downstream Module New, but with minor changes

The new system could be built up and tested as a test bench before integrating with RhicEBIS, with minimal interruption of existing RhicEbis and NSRL operations

Same electron gun and launching geometry

Same RhicEBIS internal components ---little or no modifications to internal drift tubes, pumping, heating jacket, etc.

Minor modification to drift tubes to optimize transport between added and existing solenoid.

Improved EBIS Trap region vacuum:

Less loading of EBIS Trap by neutral (and depolarized) gas Improved Vacuum Separation between EBIS Trap and Electron Gun

Could retreat to current configuration, and upgrade hardware (offline) to:

- 1) adjust or improve 3He strategy
- 2) upgrade RhicEbis neutral injection concepts
- Increase RhicEbis capacity per extraction cycle.

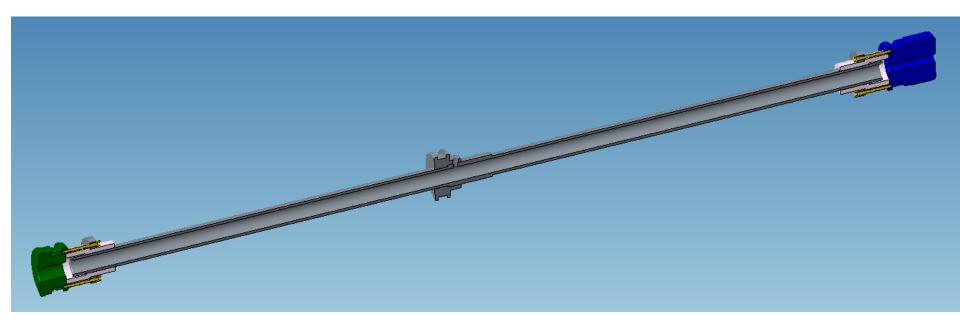
Gas injection cell testing at the BNL TestEBIS

The BNL Extended EBIS will be composed of two axially adjacent Superconducting solenoid modules to effectively extend the ion trapping region and thereby increase the ion charge per extracted pulse.

The upstream solenoid will house a high efficiency gas injection module which will facilitate injection of polarized 3He, H2 and other gases.

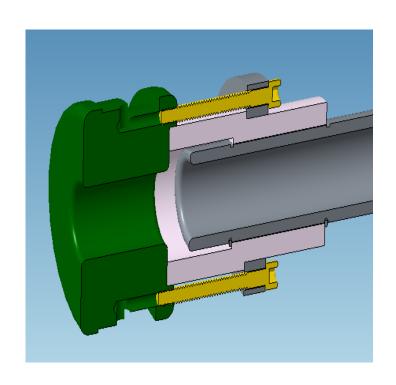
One concept under consideration is the use of a 20-30 cm long, 10mm diameter "gas cell" with 5mm diameter end caps to restrict gas flow out of the cell. Gas would be introduced via a pulsed valve, at the mid plane of the long gas cell from a radially adjacent glass gas (polarization) reservoir located radially adjacent in the high magnetic field. The stainless steel gas cell and end caps are electrically isolated to allow application of potentials necessary to provide 10A electron beam propagation along the axis as well a manipulation of ions formed from the injected gas.

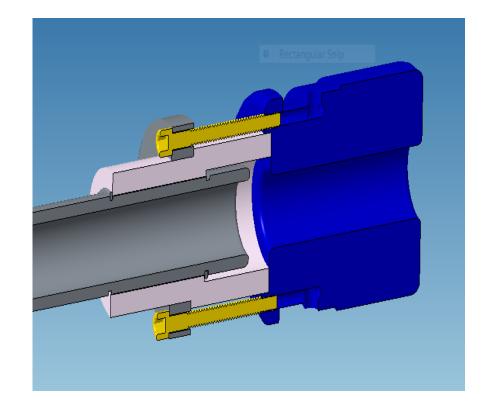
Gas Injection Cell with end caps for Electron Beam Tests at the BNL TestEBIS



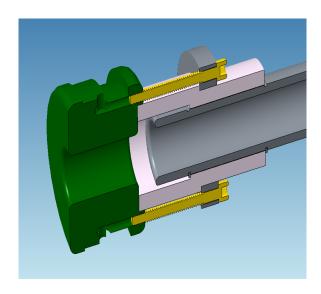
The gas cell assembly consists of a 46 cm long, 10 mm diameter gas cell with an electrically isolated 3 cm long, 10 mm diameter upstream barrier electrode (green) and a 3 cm long, 5 mm diameter downstream barrier electrode (blue).

The electrodes are inserted into the existing TestEBIS 31mm diameter drift tubes. Electrical contact to three axially adjacent TestEBIS ion trap region drift tubes is made using RF springs around the circumference of each electrode insert.



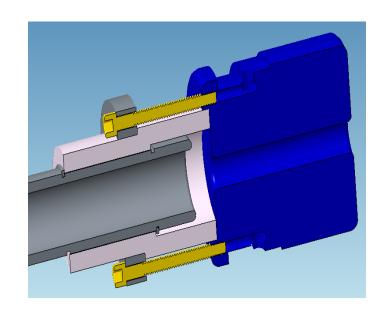


Gas injection Cell Drift Tube Assembly Detail of End Cap Barrier Electrodes



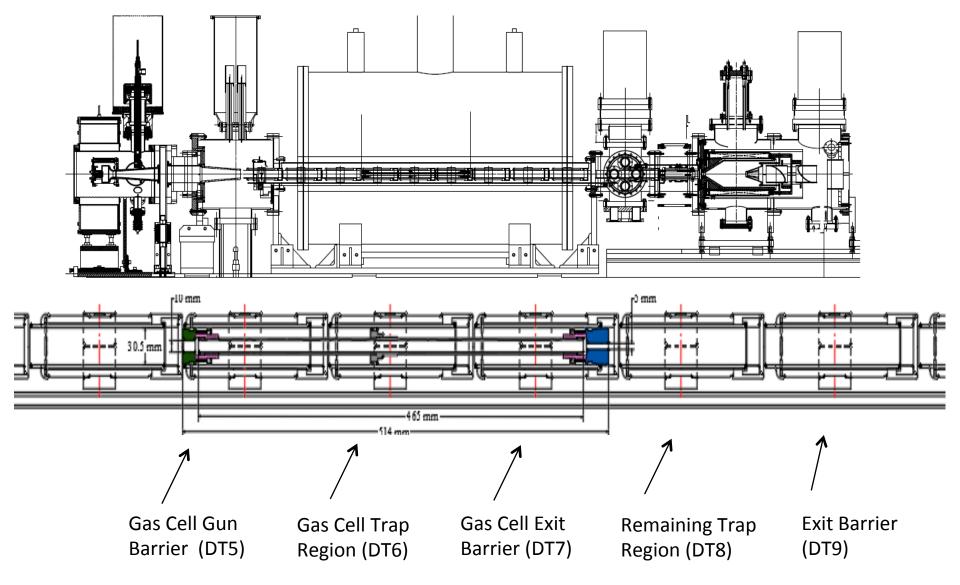
The 5 mm diameter end cap electrode (blue) is shown at the right. This downstream barrier tube electrode was used to demonstrate electron beam propagation through a very reduced drift tube diameter and allowed ion trapping, extraction from the adjacent 10mm gas injection and ionization cell drift tube.

10 mm diameter end cap electrode (green) electrically insulted from the 10 mm diameter gas injection cell drift tube electrode is shown at the left. This upstream barrier tube remained at 10 mm during the tests to facilitate electron beam transmission in a region of slightly lower magnetic field.



Gas Cell Trap Installed at TestEBIS for Electron and Ion Beam Tests

(occupies 3 of 4 TestEBIS 31mm dia., 170mm long Trap Drift Tubes)



Voltage control via existing TestEBIS DT Leads (i.e., old structure not disturbed)

Gas Cell Drift Tube Assembly Electron Beam Test Results

Electron beams up to 6 A were successfully propagated through the assembly consisting of a 46 cm, 10mm gas cell with a 3 cm long, 10 mm upstream barrier electrode and a 3 cm long, 5 mm diameter downstream barrier electrode.

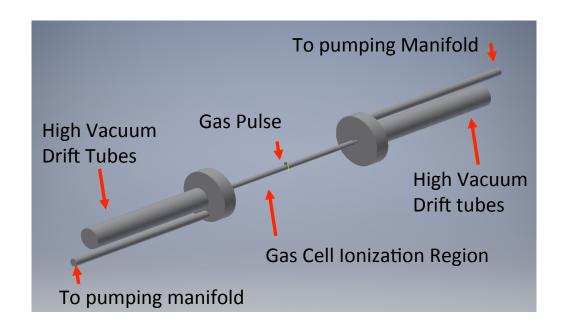
Ion extraction from residual gas ions was made from both the 46 cm long, 10mm diameter "gas cell" and the remaining ionization region trap consisting of the 17 cm long, 31 mm diameter TestEBIS drift tube electrode. Ion transfer between the two adjacent trap regions with different diameters has also been tested.

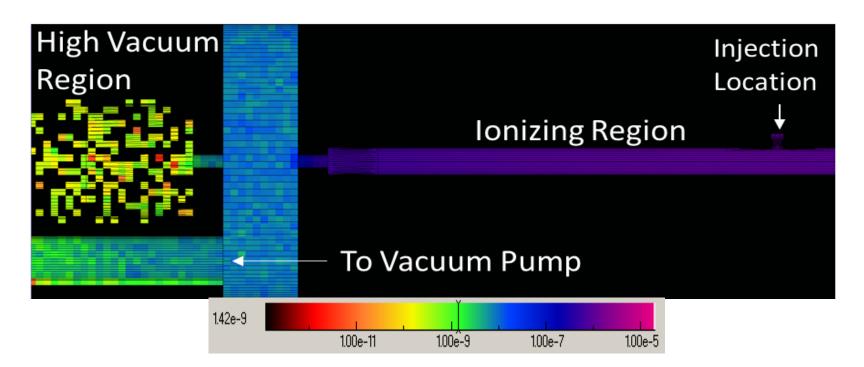
No gas feed for gas injection was provided during these experiments, since this would require a substantial rework of the TestEBIS which was designed for external ion injection.

Preparations are underway for external Ion injection tests into the gas injection assembly at test EBIS. This tests will proceed in early November 2017 if the schedule permits.

MolFlow Simulations:

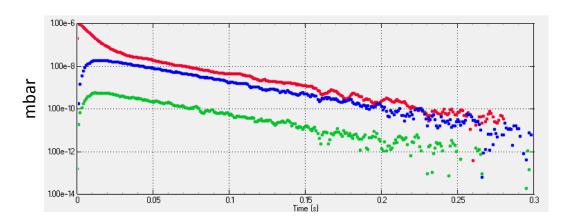
³He Gas is pulsed into a 30cm long 10mm dia. gas cell during the first 50μs of a simulation with step size 50μs. The picture below shows that the after 2ms the gas in the cell is uniform within about a factor of 2.



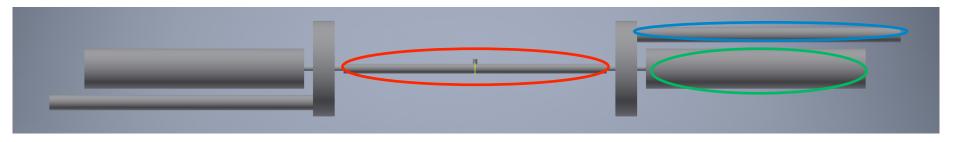


Pressure in the Gas Cell, pump out tube, and Drift Tube volumes vs Elapsed time from a 1ms Gas Injection Pulse

- Simulation is 300 ms long with 1 ms intervals
- 0.00005 mbar*L/s for 1 ms
- 1e-6 mbar when diffused in gas cell (23.6 cm³)
- ~5.8e9 ³He molecules



(The curve colors correspond to the color marked regions in the model below.)



Effect ³He Gas Ionization by Electron Beam Included in Model

Consider that when a 3He atom is ionized, it quickly leaves the cell along the axis and does not return (e.g., by suitable adjustment of potentials).

(The plot below shows the pressure versus time of the gas cell region, only).

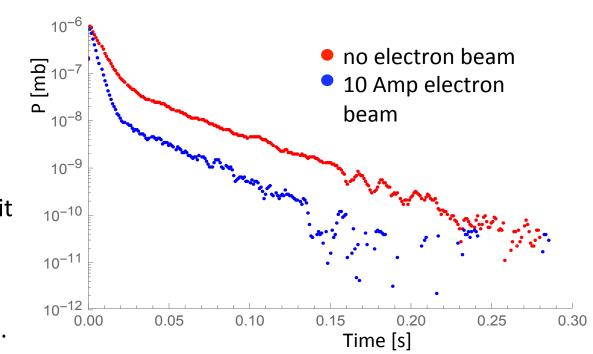


Electron Beam

- 10 Amp
- 10 keV
- 1 mm diameter

On average ~1% probability that ³He is ionized each time it traverses the electron beam.

Treat electron beam as ideal pump with 99% transparency.



Multiple pulsing of the Fast Gas Injection Valve

In order to counteract the gas cell pressure loss due both "electron beam pumping" and vacuum pumping, the fast valve is pulsed 4 times at 10ms intervals in the case shown below.

The plot at the top right shows the pressure in the gas cell for various cases of electron beams and gas pulsing.

The plot at the lower right shows the growth of the 1+ ion inventory for the 10A electron beam in the case of a single gas pulse and four gas pulses, but assumes no other losses or charge state evolution.

10 Amp electron beam

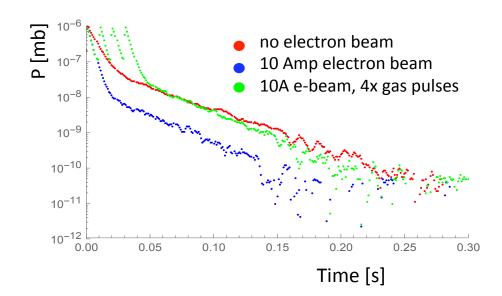
6.2e10¹¹ injected ³He atoms

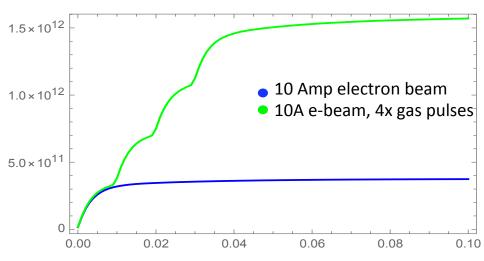
3.8e10¹¹ ionized by electron beam

2.4e10¹¹ pumped out

10 Amp e-beam, 4x gas pulses

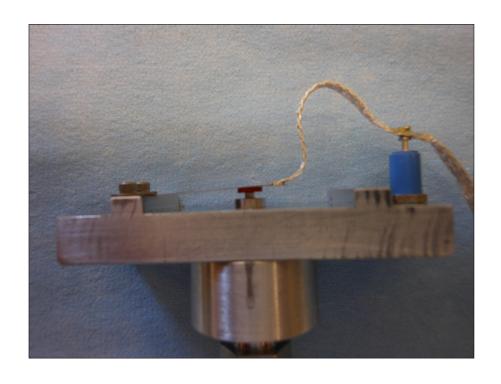
24.8e10¹¹ injected ³He atoms 15.2e10¹¹ ionized by electron beam 9.6e10¹¹ pumped out





Pulsed Valve Development and Testing

Pulsed valve must be open quickly and close completely between pulses. Such a valve has been used by Zelenski for the Polarized H- ion source OPPIS. Tests are underway to make sure it meet the requirements for EBIS



The valve opens due by overcoming its own spring force due to ExB forces generated when a valve pulsed current interacts with the EBIS (static) high magnetic field.

A reverse current can be applied to increase the closing force, if necessary.

Two gas cells reservoirs and two pulsed valves are planned in the bore of the upstream Extended EBIS module to allow quasi-simultaneous polarized ³He and other gas injection capability. The second cell would serve as an spare in case of a cell or valve failure).

